You Can Help...

An Update From The Monarch House Group

By Randy J. Toddish

The Monarch House Group, Inc. is now a funded agency of the Southern Colorado AIDS Consortium, which means reimbursement from the federal Ryan White C.A.R.E. Act is now possible for our emergency rent assistance program expenses.

In order to continue participation in the consortium, Monarch House needs to build an operating fund equivalent to approximately two months' rent/mortgage subsidies. Reimbursement from the consortium takes approximately six to eight weeks, so without this operating fund, people living with HIV/AIDS may not be able to obtain the financial assistance they need.

Monarch House is asking for support in providing affordable housing options to those living with HIV/AIDS by sending your tax deductible donations of $100, $50, or whatever you feel you can afford. Upon receipt of your check, Monarch House will send you a letter of thanks, which will also serve as your tax receipt.

Your support is vital to the continuance and expansion of services Monarch House provides to the HIV community of southern Colorado.

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Drink Beer, Fight AIDS

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If it sounds like a joke, there's a good reason--it started as one. Inspired by a "Saturday Night Live" skit about "gay" beer, **Denver attorney Mike Beery** recently created **Pink Triangle Beer**, a microbrew aimed at the homosexual market. He enlisted Iowa's **Dubuque Brewing Co.** to make the stuff, so far distributed only in a few selected markets. Wider distribution is promised soon. Pink Triangle drinkers can take comfort in knowing that they're helping others as they help their buzz--between $1 and $1.50 for each case sold is donated to AIDS charities. So far, says Dubuque's marketing director Keith Johnsen, about $5000 has been passed out. What exactly is gay beer? "[Beery] didn't hand us a recipe," says Johnsen. "He came to us with what he felt would be a popular product with the gay community. It's flavorful but light in calories."

As of press time, GZ News is attempting to locate information on a local disributor. If you have any knowledge of this beer, or where it can be purchased, please contact the Ground Zero office.

S-CAP Garage Sale

The Southern Colorado AIDS Project (S-CAP)will conduct a garage sale on Saturday, July 9 from 9 a. m. to 4 p.m. at the vacant lot on the northeast corner of Cascade and Moreno, next to Foree Wholesale Tire Distributors, 523 S. Cascade Ave.

People wishing to donate items may do so at the Colorado Springs Office beginning the afternoon of July 6. Donations of the following items are appreciated: Furniture, collectibles, sporting goods, household items, plants, tools, and anything unusual. Clothing donations are being discouraged at this time. People wishing to donate items are asked to call either Tim or Dave, 578-9092.

The Southern Colorado AIDS Project is a Pikes Peak United Way agency which provides direct support and services to HIV positive individuals and their families throughout a 24 county region in Southern Colorado.

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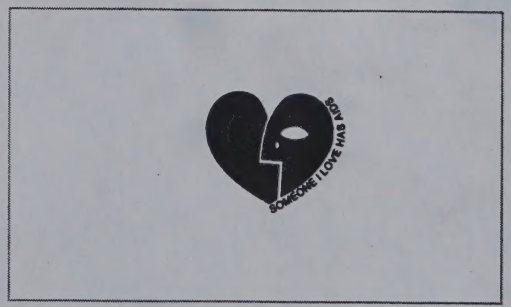
Listen to Music, Help AMFAR Cure AIDS

Liza Minnelli released a single CD late in the fall of 1993 titled "The Day After That", a song that she hopes to become an anthem for the cure for AIDS. The CD is produced by Columbia Records. In a recent television appearance on *Regis and Kathy Lee*, Ms. Minnelli said, "Every penny of profit goes to AMFAR research." She continued, "People who live in rural areas, they teach their children about guns so they won't hurt themselves, they teach them how to clean a gun, how to use a gun properly so they won't harm themselves, and it's to protect themselves, their families and their home...and we can't advertise condoms on TV...and there's something wrong...the balance seems improper." The CD is available locally through Media Play ... and is guaranteed to leave a lump in your throat.



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